



Sunday, October 13, 2024

Thanksgiving Sunday

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — David Hrynyk

Speaker — Chris Hutton

*With voice and heart we worship God together at NLUMC.
We strive to be a welcoming community who live our faith
in active and practical ways of discipleship and service.*

Order of Worship

Welcome/announcements

Call to worship

VT #34, *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer*

— Children bring up food items

Special music — For the Beauty of the Earth

Offering with VT #123, *Come, Ye thankful People*

Scripture reading — Psalm 100

Story time

Message — Giving Thanks Even When the Trifle is Bad

VT #747, *We Plow the Fields and Scatter*

Sharing and prayer

Special music — Give Me Jesus

VT #114, *Now Thank We All Our God*

Benediction



Today —

We are again continuing the tradition of accepting gifts of baked goods, jam, crafts, flowers, fruits and vegetables. Please bring your items to the church foyer today and the children will bring them to the front before the service. Following worship, participants are encouraged to choose one of the items on our table of Thanksgiving bounty! Cash donations at the table will be accepted. In addition to this tradition, we welcome donations of non-perishable food items that can be dropped off at the church during business hours or on Sunday morning. All cash and food donations will go to the Salvation Army Food Bank.

Membership meeting — At this time we are postponing the membership meeting originally called for this Sunday, October 13 until further notice.

. . . With thanks, Brenda Fischer, Church Council Chair

Church Life . . .

◆ **Next Sunday, October 20.** Join us for worship at 10 am as we begin our four-part series; Grace & Grit: Women of the Bible. Lindsey Ecker will lead worship and Chris Hutton will bring the message.

◆ Home Church Information

▶ **Road 6 Home Church**, Sundays 11:30 am

625 Mersea Rd. 6, Leamington. Contact: Lindsay Ecker 519-322-8340

▶ **Marshwoods Home Church**, Wednesdays 6:30 pm

22 Marshwoods Blvd., Kingsville, Contact: Mary Krueger 519-322-9620

▶ **Cherokee Home Church**, Thursdays 6:30 pm

30 Cherokee Lane, Leamington, Contact: Chris Hutton 519-613-1971

◆ Missions Team News

▶ You will notice a **Community Meal** table set up in the foyer next week. A plate will be set on the table whenever \$600 has been donated, with the hope that 12 settings can be set...one for each month. Any amount of donation is welcome. We realize that there has been a huge increase...as there have been increases in numbers of guests served, around 250 people per meal. The cost of groceries has increased as well. We continue to provide healthy meals to those who are in need.

▶ **Socktober and Undie Sunday.** Yes, it is that time of year again. If you would like to donate your new socks and undies, we have a laundry basket in the church lobby to receive them. These will be dropped off at The Bridge and the Leamington Community Hope Centre in the beginning of November.

▶ The Missions Team thanks you and are grateful for the **grocery card donations** delivered to SECC following Communion last week.

◆ Donations to NLUMC

▶ Have you considered increasing your automatic transfer donation amount?

▶ Your donations to NLUMC can also be offered through Abundance Canada if your family is setting up a Gifting Fund through charitable stocks and bonds in-kind. Visit <https://abundance.ca>

▶ Donations are accepted by:

1) Automatic transfers – contact Susan

2) E-transfer – email treasurer@nlumc.com - include member # in message

3) Offering on Sunday morning

Contact Susan Klassen, office@nlumc.com; or Brenda Klassen, treasurer@nlumc.com

◆ Budget Update

December 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024 (83.3% of year) \$183,165.15 (64.7%) of our \$283,113.97 unified church budget has been donated. Give prayerfully, joyfully and generously as God has given to you.

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

► Notice is given that the **Annual Meeting** of the Members of United Mennonite Educational Institute will be held on **Wednesday, October 30, 2024, 7 pm**, in the Chapel at UMEI, 614 Mersea Road 6, Leamington ON N8H 3V8. Copies of the meeting package are available upon request via email from the UMEI office (office@umei.ca). There will be a limited number of paper copies available at the church office. . . By Order of the Board, Brenna Epp, Secretary

► **Call for Nuns!** UMEI Community Players is looking to "a-choir" a gaggle of nuns for their production of *The Sound of Music*. Fall rehearsals: Oct. 27, Nov. 10, Nov. 17. Rehearsals will be every Sunday beginning in January with some Thursday evenings as needed. Performance dates are Feb. 21 - 23, Feb. 28 - Mar. 2. Music will not need to be memorized. For more information, visit our tab on the UMEI website. If interested, please email communityplayers@umei.ca or call the school at 519-326-7448.

◆ Leamington Mennonite Home News

Our **Fall Fundraiser** is coming up on **Saturday, October 26**. We invite you to join us for a great evening of entertainment with the Great Canadian Dueling Pianos as we continue to raise the funds needed to continue the renovations in the Pickwick Apartments. Contact the front office at the Home to reserve your table now, 519-326-6109.

Junior Youth

MCEC Junior Youth Event, Sunday, October 20, 1-5 pm at UMEI.

Senior Youth

Tuesday, October 15 we are having a joint youth night with LUMC! The event will be 7-9 pm at LUMC and will include worship, Bible lesson, fun games, and thanksgiving themed food!

Thought for the Day

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him and praise his name.
Psalm 100:4

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **Unitarian Universalist Church of Olinda**.

Each week MCEC, **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week, we are praying for **Mennonite Disciple Church (MDM) Joliette** in Joliette, Quebec.

To view more information from MCEC go to [News & Events - Mennonite Church Eastern Canada \(mcec.ca\)](http://www.mcec.ca)

Missions — see Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) for giving opportunities, www.mcc.org

Connect . . .

- Check out our church website at nlumc.com, including YouTube videos of our past services.
 - Watch our Sunday morning service via YouTube livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCdn1sLuXDZYqHsEyd92k0g/featured>
 - Get updates on our ministries by joining our Facebook group.
 - See photos of what we are doing on our Instagram page.
 - Contact the church office, pastor or Council members for information.
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Care . . .

If you are aware of any crises needs or visitation needs within our community of faith, please contact the church office or Linda Driedger, Caregiving Team chairperson, 519-733-6130.

Contacts . . .

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Website: www.northleamington.com Instagram: [wethenorthchurch](https://www.instagram.com/wethenorthchurch)

Office hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm.